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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 03/14/2003 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 04/03/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 11.
 - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(I) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) All.

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In re Application of Gunderson et al.

Serial No: 10/045,575

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For: DETECTION OF NUCLEIC

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COMMUNICATION

This Communication is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed April 3, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application. The Notice requires submission of replacement drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Applicant previously responded to a Notice to File Corrected Drawings, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A. The Notice to File Corrected Drawings was mailed on April 30, 2003, which was subsequent to the above Notice of Incomplete Reply. The subsequent Notice is duplicative with, and supercedes, the former Notice of Incomplete Reply. Applicant responded to the Notice to File Corrected Drawings on June 30, 2003. A copy of the response, including corrected drawings and postcard showing Inventors: Gunderson et al.

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receipt by the Patent Office is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit</u>

<u>B.</u> Accordingly, Applicant has been fully responsive to the Notice of Incomplete Reply. Entry of the corrected drawings and prosecution of the above-identified application on the merits is respectfully requested.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 502624. Should the Examiner have any questions, he/she is invited to call Cathryn Campbell or the undersigned attorney.

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